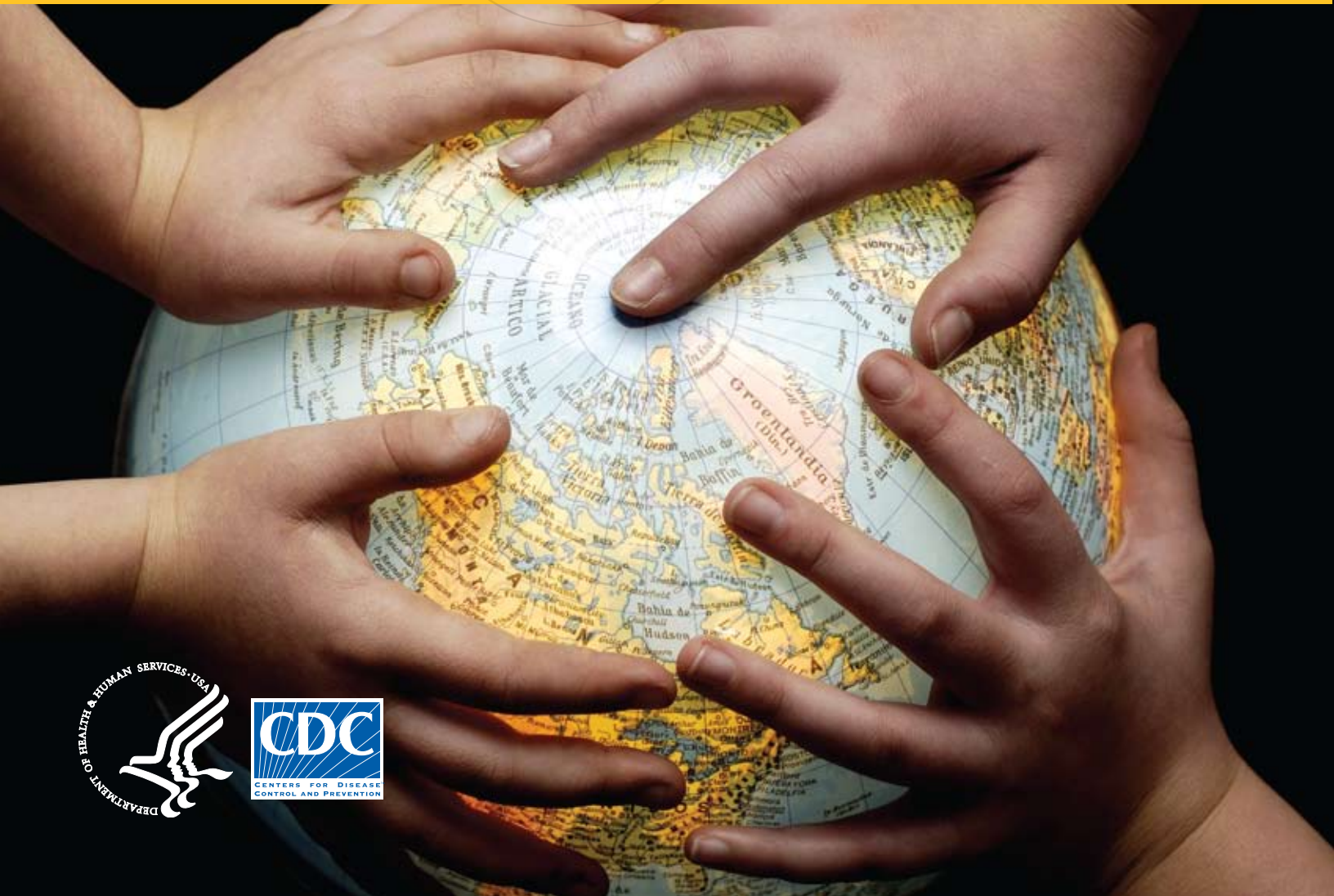


Division of Global Public Health Capacity Development

Working together for a healthier world



WELCOME to the Division of Global Public Health Capacity Development



The Division of Global Public Health Capacity Development (DGPHCD) is part of the Coordinating Office for Global Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, CDC is recognized for conducting public health investigations and applied research.

Strengthening Capacity to Improve Public Health

We work with partners to strengthen the global public health workforce, strengthen public health systems, and build sustainability and capacity through key strategies that emphasize applying public health science and practice and demonstrating measurable public health impact.

We help Ministries of Health (MOHs) create strong, effective, sustainable programs to improve public health systems on local, regional, and national levels. These programs allow MOHs to strengthen their disease surveillance;

outbreak response; leadership and management; and program evaluation.

Our teams of physicians, epidemiologists, public health advisors, management trainers, instructional designers, health communication specialists, and support staff provide scientific expertise, in-country and remote technical assistance, and other programmatic support and advice to enable MOHs to enhance their health protection and health promotion programs.

OUR VISION

Countries throughout the world have effective and equitable public health systems to protect communities and enable people to live healthy and productive lives.

OUR MISSION

Working with Ministries of Health and public health partners, we are committed to strengthening public health systems and developing the workforce using solid science, innovative programs, and a commitment to building sustainable capacity that meets our partners' national priorities.

Strengthening Global Public Health

Our goal is to help countries strengthen their epidemiology workforce, enhance their surveillance systems, and build their management capacity.

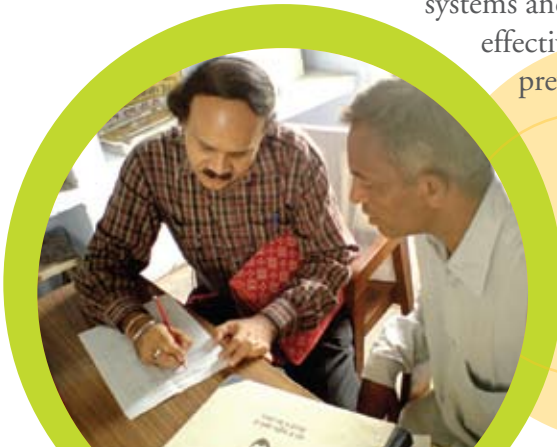
Field Epidemiology Training Programs (FETPs)

We work with Ministries of Health (MOHs) and other public health institutions to strengthen their countries' epidemiology workforce through residency-based programs in applied epidemiology, including the Field Epidemiology Training Program (FETP) and the Field Epidemiology and Laboratory Training Program (FELTP). An FELTP contains all the components of a traditional FETP, plus trains select laboratory scientists using a competency-based curriculum that supports laboratory-based surveillance and outbreak response.

A combination of classroom-based instruction and mentored practical work allows residents to receive hands-on multi-disciplinary training in public health surveillance, outbreak investigation, laboratory management, program evaluation, and other aspects of epidemiology research and methods.

Surveillance Systems

We work with partner MOHs to strengthen their public health surveillance and response systems for priority disease conditions. FETP residents learn detection, confirmation, reporting, analysis and feedback of disease data, and implementation of effective public health responses in a participatory approach. As graduates, they apply these skills in their work for the MOH to operate and further strengthen the surveillance and response systems and to use the information for more effective disease detection, control, and prevention.



Educating the Public Health Leaders of the Future

We also provide training programs to improve the problem-solving and leadership skills of the public health leaders and policy makers of the future.

Sustainable Management Development Program (SMDP)

We partner with MOHs, educational institutions, and nongovernmental organizations in developing countries to promote organizational excellence in public health by strengthening the leadership and management capacity of the global public health workforce. Our program strategy is designed to develop sustainable public health capacity to deliver effective leadership and management development programs through

- **Strategic institutional partnerships** to build in-country public health leadership and management capacity
- **Faculty development** at our 6-week Management for International Public Health (MIPH) course and country training-of-trainers courses,
- **Technical assistance** to provide support to MIPH graduates as they conduct needs assessments, develop locally appropriate curricula, facilitate leadership and management workshops, and mentor workshop participants as they apply new skills on the job back at their worksites, and
- **Promotion of sustainability** by addressing such issues as integrating with national public health priorities, obtaining accreditation and local funding, and evaluating impact.



Collaborating to Make a Difference

We are involved in several collaborative global health activities and projects.

Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (IDSR)

DGPHCD and other CDC offices collaborate on IDSR to help build sustainable, nationally-owned disease surveillance systems in Africa. IDSR is present in Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe.

Data for Decision Making (DDM)

The DDM project seeks to increase the effective use of data in setting health priorities and policies; in making cost-effective decisions concerning the allocation of resources; and in planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating health programs.

The Amazon River Basin Surveillance Project

DGPHCD, with funding from CDC's Global Disease Detection program, is involved in the Amazon River Basin Surveillance Project, which conducts surveillance and outbreak investigation and response for infectious diseases in the eight states of the Amazon River Basin. The project is run in collaboration with the Brazil FETP.

Avian Influenza Project

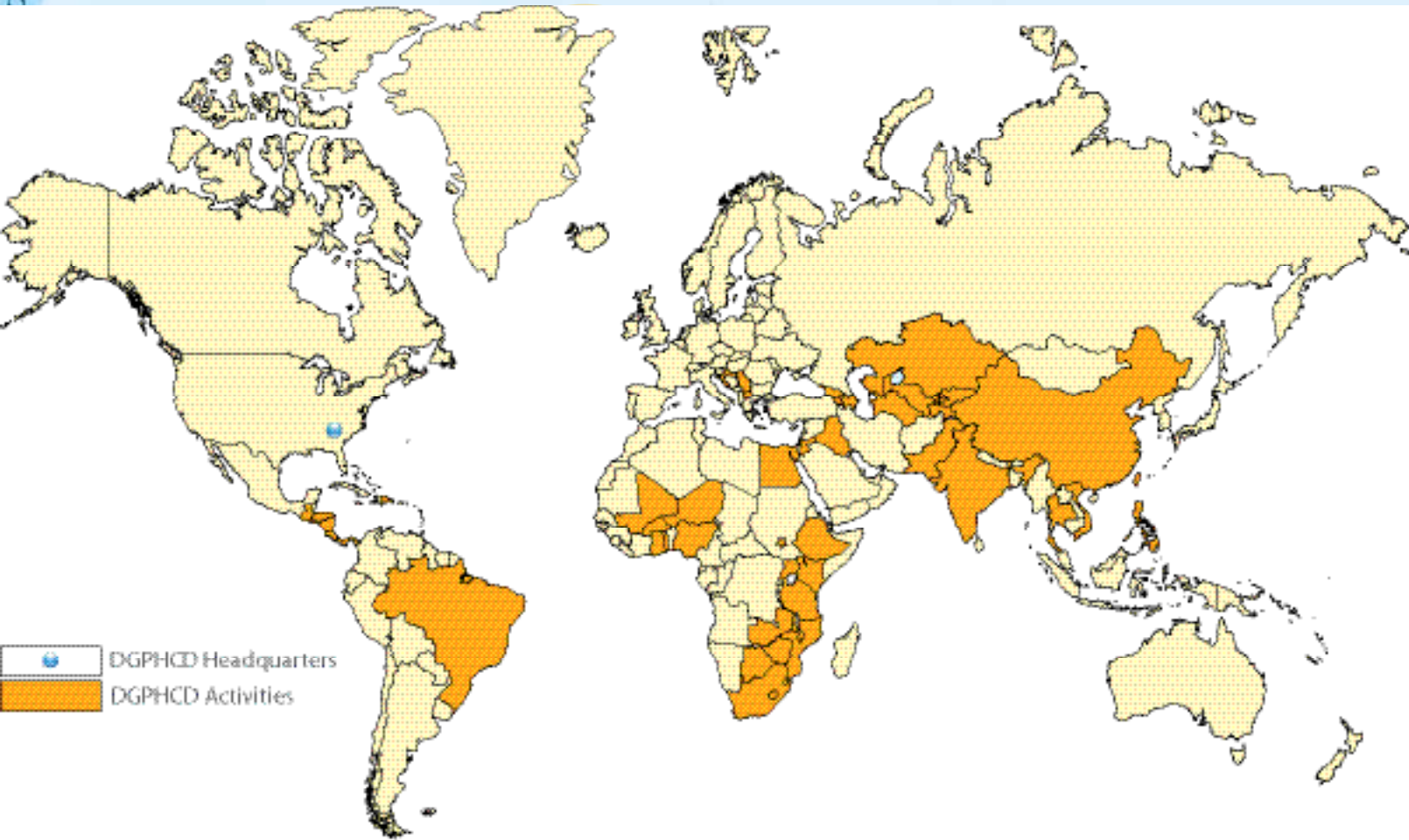
The division, in partnership with CDC's National Center for Influenza and Respiratory Diseases, is developing an International Rapid Response to Avian Influenza online training course; it is geared to public health professionals who may respond to or assist in the investigation and control of an outbreak of Influenza A (H5N1) in humans.



Promoting Health Around the Globe

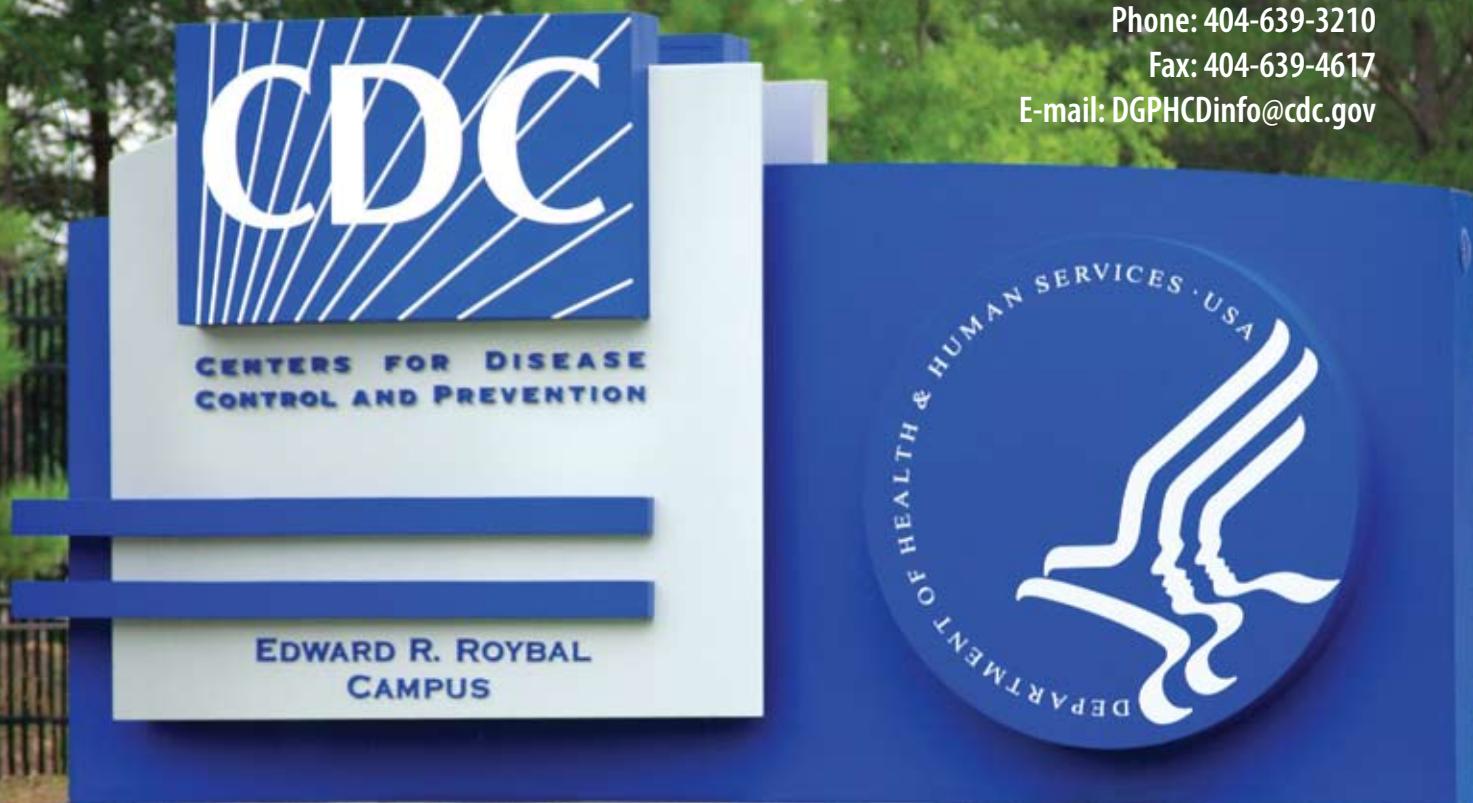
Since 1980, we have been engaged in numerous global health activities around the world. We help develop FETPs, provide management training, and engage in other global health activities to make the world a safer and healthier place.

Map of DGPBHD Activities for 2008



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